

2015

4-11-15 – Texas

The first six races of 2015 had five different winners. Kevin Harvick was the leading winner with two, and found himself leading the point standings at this point. Other winners early in 2015 were Jimmie Johnson, Denny Hamlin, Brad Keselowski, and second in points Joey Logano, who was 18 points behind Harvick. Martin Truex, Jr. was 5 behind Logano, 23 out of the lead, with Brad Keselowski 46 out of the lead. Remember, our point system is 100 to win, 98 for second, and a one point drop to 64 points to 36th where all other starters and non-qualifiers get the same 64 points.

All 43 teams entered started the race. Jimmie Johnson won for the second time this season in the 48. Harvick extended his point lead by finishing second. His lead is now 20 over fourth place finisher Joey Logano. Dale Earnhardt, Jr. was third. Brad Keselowski was fifth, and advanced to fourth in points.

1, 684, 4, Kevin Harvick
2, 664, -20, 22, Joey Logano
3, 654, -30, 78, Martin Truex, Jr.
4, 635, -49, 2, Brad Keselowski
5, 620, -64, 5, Kasey Kahne

The eighth race of the 2015 season was on April 19 at Bristol. It was not a good point day for any of the top five drivers in points before the race, which only helps a good point race. Point leader Kevin Harvick finished 38th but still held on to the top spot. Second in points Joey Logano was 40th, so their 20 point difference did not change. Third in points Martin Truex, Jr. had the best finish of the top five in 29th. They would still be the top three in points after the race. Gaining ground in the standings were race winner Matt Kenseth for his first of the year. Jimmie Johnson was second over Jeff Gordon, Ricky Stenhouse, Jr., and Ryan Newman.

1, 748, 4, Kevin Harvick
2, 728, -20, 22, Joey Logano
3, 725, -23, 78, Martin Truex, Jr.
4, 702, -46, 48, Jimmie Johnson
5, 700, -48, 2, Brad Keselowski

Race 9 of 2015 was April 26 at Richmond, where Kurt Busch won for the first time this season. Point leader Kevin Harvick increased his lead by finishing second. Jimmie Johnson was third over Jamie McMurray and second in points Joey Logano.

1, 846, 4, Kevin Harvick
2, 823, -23, 22, Joey Logano
3, 815, -31, 78, Martin Truex, Jr.
4, 799, -47, 48, Jimmie Johnson
5, 788, -58, 31, Ryan Newman

Race 10 of 2015 was May 3 at Talladega. Joey Logano entered the race second in points 23 out of the lead, but 33rd place didn't help his cause. Josh Wise finished tenth, notable as his best previous finish

this year was 30th. Dale Earnhardt, Jr. won for the first time this season over Jimmie Johnson, Paul Menard, Ryan Blaney, and Martin Truex, Jr. Kevin Harvick held on to his point lead finishing eighth, increasing it from 22 to 28.

1, 938, 4, Kevin Harvick

2, 910, -28, 78, Martin Truex, Jr.

3, 897, -41, 48, Jimmie Johnson

4, 890, -48, 22, Joey Logano

5, 881, -57, 31, Ryan Newman